

Sight Words

We are working on reading, recognizing, remembering, and writing sight words in our classrooms. Sight words are those words most commonly found in text your child is reading. These words are basic words needed to be able read immediately by memory in order to become a fluent reader. We learn new words each week and keep a "word wall" of those we have learned in the classroom. Students use the "word wall" to assist them when needing to write these words.

There are many ways to practice reading sight words at home. A list of suggestions below may help your child become more confident in reading these words.

1. My Pile-Your Pile—Use word cards to play a game with your child. Show a word card to your child and ask him/her to read it. If it is read correctly he/she keeps the card. If it is read incorrectly you keep the card. Use the cards from your pile to practice those words most difficult for your child.
2. Challenge your child to find these words in everyday print. Look for words in magazine, books, and newspapers.
3. Rainbow write the words—Write the word in a dark color and have your child trace the letters in several other colors. As your child traces the letters have him/her say each letter aloud and then say the word they are making.
4. Word Race—Pick a word card from the pile. See who can write the word correctly first.

Students will increase reading fluency as they develop the ability to immediately recall sight words.



Donations

We truly appreciate the donations we receive allowing us to continue having fun in class everyday. If you would like to make a donation please consider sending in an item from the list below.

- Glue sticks—we continue to run out of glue sticks as they are used on a daily basis! Sam's Club and Costco offer large packs at a cost effective price. If you are a member you may be able to find these on your next shopping trip.
- Ziploc bags (all sizes)
- Cotton balls
- Dry erase markers

Thanks so much
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items we need!

